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Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98, enclosed herewith are documents which the applicants in the above-identified patent application wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination on the merits of this patent application.

U.S. Patents

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Consideration of these documents during the examination of this application is respectfully requested. As this Statement refers to a related case (08/691,045), no copies of the references are enclosed. If any fees are necessary to enter this Statement, please charge deposit account 17-0055.

Respectfully submitted,

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